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St. James's, January 31.

THIS Day the Lord-Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of London, waited in a Body on His Majesty, with the following humble Address.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord-Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, in Common-Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

IT is with great Concern we observe, that the Peace of Europe, and the particular Interests of your Majesty's Kingdoms, are threatned with new Dangers, at a Time when we had Reason to hope they would be settled upon the firmest Foundations.

And we cannot hear without a just Indignation, that Gibraltar and Port-Mahon (those important Acquisitions which were gained by the victorious Arms of Great-Britain, under the auspicious Reign of our late most Glorious Queen, and yielded and confirmed by solemn Treaties) are now demanded from this Nation; and that our Trade is invaded in many valuable Branches (in Violation of publick Faith) by a Prince so highly obliged to the British Nation.

We beg Leave also to express our highest Resentment at the Engagements which the Emperour and the King of Spain have entered into in Favour of the Pretender.

Whether the great Advantages gained for the Trade of your Dominions by former Treaties, or the unrivalled Superiority of your Fleets, or your paternal Love in preserving the Rights and Privileges of your People, have raised the Envy and Jealousy of foreign Powers, or to whatever Cause their desperate Designs may be ascribed, we know not.

But when we reflect on the Strength of your Naval Force, sufficient alone by the Situation of your Dominions not only to frustrate their Enterprizes, but even to deter them from attempting to invade us; when we consider the brave Troops your Majesty has by Land, and the Strength, Harmony, and Union of your Allies (conducted by your Majesty's consummate Wisdom, and supported by the Zeal and Affection of your People) we doubt not, but to our great Comfort, your Majesty (by the Blessing of God) will be undisturbed on your Throne, and the Freedom of Commerce (so necessary and essential to the Good of all your Subjects) be again restored to its ancient and most flourishing Condition.

We therefore (who are more immediately interested in those valuable and darling Benefits of Trade) are in a particular Manner obliged to return our most dutiful Thanks to your Majesty, for that prudent Care which has hitherto rendered abortive the chimerical and unjust Designs of your Enemies; and to assure your Majesty, that your Loyal City of London will be always ready to sacrifice their Lives and Fortunes in Defence of your Royal Person and Government, and our Excellent Constitution both in Church and State, against all your Enemies whatsoever.

To which Address His Majesty was pleased to return the following most gracious Answer.

THIS very Dutiful and Loyal Address from my City of London, is truly acceptable to me; I return you my kindest Thanks for the Resentment you express at the Engagements entered into in favour of the Pretender, and for the affectionate Assurances you give me of

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of exerting yourſelves to the utmoſt, in Defence of my Perſon and Government, and of our happy Conſtitution in Church and State. Nothing could have added more Weight to this Declaration of your Duty and Fidelity to me, than the Unanimity with which you have proceeded upon this Occaſion. As the Preſervation of the Trade of this Kingdom, and of Poſſeſſions of the utmoſt Importance to it, has been the conſtant Aim of the Meaſures I have hitherto taken; you may be confidently aſſured of the Continuance of my beſt Endeavours to ſecure and perpetuate the Enjoyment of thoſe ineſtimable Advantages to my People; and my City of London in Particular may always depend upon my Favour and Protection.

His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive them very graciouſly, and they had all the Honour to kiſs His Majeſty's Hand.

His Majeſty was pleaſed to confer the Honour of Knighthood upon William Billers, Edward Bellamy, and John Thompſon, Eſqrs; Aldermen; and on William Ogborne, Eſq; one of the Sheriffs.

His Majeſty was alſo pleaſed to order a magnificent Dinner to be provided for them in the Royal Palace, where the great Officers of State dined with them.

Whitehall, January 31.

This Morning died James Vernon, Eſq; in the Eighty third Year of his Age, who had been Secretary of State to the late King William of Glorious Memory, for the Five laſt Years of that great Prince's Reign, to the Time of his Death; having had a great Share in his Maſter's Confidence, on Account of his remarkable Fidelity and Induſtry; and above all, for a Diſintereſtedneſs in his Service, of which there can be no ſtronger Proof, than from his not having added any thing to his private Fortune from ſo long a Continuance in Employment.

Office of Ordnance, Jan. 28, 1726-7.

Whereas William Stevens, Matroſs, in the Royal Regiment of Artillery commanded by Collonel Albert Borgard, aged about 30 *Years,* 5 *Foot* 10 *Inches high, of a dark brown Complexion, by Trade a Carpenter, did deſert the* 3*d of December laſt from the Detachment at Plymouth, in the Company commanded by Captain James Richards: Whoever will ſecure the ſaid William Stevens, and give Notice thereof to Lieutenant Bennett Smith, commanding the Detachment at Plymouth aforeſaid, or to any of the Officers commanding any of the Detachments of the ſame Regiment at Portſmouth, Woolwich, or Berwick, ſhall receive Ten Guineas as a Reward, or half that Sum if they will ſecure him in any County Goal in England, giving Notice thereof to Mr. John Blake, Jun. at the Office of Ordnance in the Tower of London.*

The Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Revenue of Exciſe deſign to expoſe to Sale in their Court Room at the Exciſe-Office, London, on Friday the 3*d of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, ſeveral Parcels of condemn'd Bohea and Green Tea, Coffee, Cocoa Nuts, Chocolate, Brandy, Rum, Arrack, and Geneva. Printed Allotments of which will be ready to be delivered at the Exciſe-Office and Cuſtom-Houſe, London, on Tueſday the* 31*ſt of this Inſtant January. The Goods to be ſeen at the Exciſe Office and Warehouſes nigh the Cuſtom-Houſe, on Tueſday and Wedneſday, the* 31*ſt Inſtant and* 1*ſt of February, from Nine to Twelve in the Morning, and from Two to Five in the Afternoon, and Friday from Nine to Twelve in the Morning, and from One a-Clock to the Time of Sale.*

January 30, 1726-7.

The Truſtees appointed by Act of Parliament for the repairing the Highways from St. Giles's to Kilbourn-Bridge, in the County of Middleſex, give Notice, That on Thurſday the 9*th of February next, they will meet at the Mount Coffee-houſe in Groſvenor-ſtreet, at Ten a-Clock in the Forenoon, to agree and contract with Pariſhes for their Statute Work.*

Advertiſements.

This Day is publiſhed,

*** The BRITANNICK CONSTITUTION; or, The Fundamental Form of Government in Britain: Demonſtrating, The ORIGINAL CONTRACT enter'd into by King and People, according to the Primary Inſtitutions thereof, in this Nation. Wherein is proved, That the placing on the Throne King WILLIAM III. was the Natural Fruit and Effect of the Original Conſtitution. And, That the Succeſſion to this Crown, eſtabliſhed in the preſent Proteſtant Heirs, is De Jure, and juſtified by the Fundamental Laws of Great Britain. And many important Original Powers and Privileges of both Houſes of Parliament are exhibited. Sold by the Bookſellers of London and Weſtminſter. NB. A ſmall Number is printed for the Curious, on Superfine Dutch Writing Median. Price Two Guineas in Quires.

TO be Sold, the Mannor of St. John Baptiſt, near Colerain in Ireland, with the Demeſnes and other Lands and Appurtenances, ſubject to a Rent Charge of 150 l. per Annum. Further Information to be had, and Propoſals to be left with Mr. George North, Clerk to the Company of Merchant-Taylors, at their Hall, near the Royal Exchange, London: Where a Committee will ſit on the 9th of March next, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, in order to diſpoſe thereof.

WHereas William Hall, late of Biſhopſgate-ſtreet, London, Citizen and Merchant-Taylor, deceaſed, did by his laſt Will and Teſtament (after giving ſeveral ſpecifick Annuities and Legacies) deviſe all the Reſidue of his Eſtate real and perſonal to his Executors in Truſt, to divide the ſame according to their Diſcretions among the ſaid William Hall's poor Relations: Now this is to give Notice, that all ſuch poor Relations of the ſaid William Hall, who have already received, or who claim any Part of the Reſidue of his Eſtate, are required to appear before Thomas Bennett, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the High Court of Chancery, at his Houſe in Caſtle-yard, Holbourn, forthwith to prove their reſpective Pedigrees, in order to receive ſuch Share of the Reſidiums (if any) as the ſaid Maſter ſhall direct, otherwiſe they will be wholly excluded all Benefit thereof. NB. The Creditors and Legatees are required to make out their Claims at the ſame Time, or they will be excluded.

ALL Perſons that have any Goods pawned with John Wayt, at the Golden Ball in Maiden-lane, Covent-Garden, as Plate, Rings, Jewels, Watches, Wearing Apparel, &c. are deſired to fetch them away in three Months, he leaving off Trade, is going to live in the Country.

N.B. The Houſe is to be Lett.

WHereas John Rogers, late of London, Broker, againſt whom a Commiſſion of Bankrupt hath been awarded, hath not ſurrendred himſelf to the Commiſſioners, purſuant to Notice publiſhed in the Gazette for that Purpoſe, but hath contemptuouſly abſconded contrary to the Laws in that Caſe

Caſe made and provided, though the Lord High Chancellour was pleaſed to indulge him with a further Time, upon his Petition and Promiſe to ſurrender himſelf: And whereas the ſaid John Rogers hath been guilty of very great Frauds and Forgeries, whereby he hath cheated great Numbers of Perſons of very large Sums of Money: Now in caſe any Perſon or Perſons ſhall apprehend the ſaid John Rogers, ſo that he may be brought before the ſaid Commiſſioners, or the Major Part of them, ſuch Perſon or Perſons ſhall receive as a Reward of Meſſieurs Buckle and Sparrow, Attornies, in Bread-Street, London, Two Hundred Pounds.

N. B. The ſaid John Rogers is of a pale ſallow Complection, about 36 Years of Age, about 5 Foot 9 Inches high, uſually wore a light Tye-Wig, had a Wenn or Excreſcence on the Right Side of his Forehead, very near the Temples, about the Size of a ſmall Wallnut, on which he uſually wore a large Patch or Plaiſter; as he has abſconded ever ſince the 25th of November laſt, he may poſſibly have had the ſaid Wenn taken off.

THE Commiſſion of Bankrupt lately awarded againſt Thomas Tweedy, of Friday-ſtreet, London, Tobacconiſt, is, by Order of the Lord High Chancellour of Great-Britain, ſuperſeeded: Therefore all Perſons who are indebted to the ſaid Thomas Tweedy, or that have any Effects of his in their Hands, are forthwith to pay and deliver the ſame to the ſaid Thomas Tweedy, or his Order, or they will be ſued for the ſame.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Nathaniel Barnardiſton, of Budge-row, London, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 3d and 10th of February next, and on the 2d of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. And all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are to give Notice thereof to Mr. William Snell, Attorney, in Queen-ſtreet, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Frederick Meyer, of London, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 3d and 10th of February next, and on the 2d of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. And all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Goods or Effects of his in their Hands, are deſired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Fotherby Baker, Attorney, in Bread-ſtreet, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Richard Corbett, of Colledge-Hill, London, Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 2d and 9th of February next, and on the 2d of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. And all Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Effects of his in their Hands, are to give Notice to Mr. Woodcraft and Davis, Attornies, in the Poultry, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt John Blake, of Limehouſe, in the County of Middleſex, Timber-Merchant, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 7th and 14th of February next, and on the 2d of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the ſecond of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any Effects of his in their Hands, are deſired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Henry Stanyford, Attorney, in Fenchurch-ſtreet, London.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded againſt Benjamin Stanley, of Southwark, in the County of Surrey, Cheeſemonger, and he being declared a Bankrupt; is hereby required to ſurrender himſelf to the Commiſſioners on the 6th and 20th of February, and on the 2d of March next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London; at the firſt of which Sittings the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and chuſe Aſſignees. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupt, or that have any of his Effects, are deſired to give Notice thereof to Mr. Robert Hanſhaw, Attorney, near Salters-Hall, London.

WHereas Noblett Ruddock, of the City of Briſtol, Merchant, hath ſurrendered himſelf (purſuant to Notice) and been twice examined; This is to give Notice, that he will attend the Commiſſioners on the 9th of February next, at Ten in the Forenoon, at Corbett's Coffee-houſe in Corn-ſtreet, Briſtol, to finiſh his Examination; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, pay Contribution-Money, and aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of his Certificate.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Thomas Harvey, of St. Andrew's Holbourn, in the County of Middleſex, Sadler, intend to meet on the 15th of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Richard Carey, of Rotherhith, in the County of Surrey, Victualler, intend to meet on the 16th of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Edward Froome and William Frankling, of London, Woodmongers and Partners, intend to meet on the 14th of February next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupts Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Robert Baſs, of Boſton, in the County of Lincoln, Chapman, intend to meet on the 12th of April next, at Three in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, and paid their Contribution-Money, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend, which will be forthwith made.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt William Cole, late of Wallingford, in the County of Berks, Chapman, have certified to the Right Honourable Peter Lord King, Baron of Ockham, Lord High Chancellour of Great Britain, that the ſaid William Cole hath in all Things conformed himſelf according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Acts direct, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 20th of February next.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt George Maſon, late of Enfield, in the County of Middleſex, Mercer, have certified to the Right Honourable Peter Lord King, Baron of Ockham, Lord High Chancellour of Great Britain, that the ſaid George Maſon hath in all Things conformed himſelf according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Acts direct, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 20th of February next.

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